

**15.380 Officers required to be certified -- Officers permitted to be certified -- Exemptions.**

- (1) The following officers employed or appointed as full-time, part-time, or auxiliary officers, whether paid or unpaid, shall be certified:
  - (a) State Police officers, but for the commissioner of the State Police;
  - (b) City, county, and urban-county police officers;
  - (c) Deputy sheriffs, except those identified in KRS 70.045 and 70.263(3);
  - (d) State or public university safety and security officers appointed pursuant to KRS 164.950;
  - (e) School security officers employed by local boards of education who are special law enforcement officers appointed under KRS 61.902;
  - (f) Airport safety and security officers appointed under KRS 183.880;
  - (g) Office of Alcoholic Beverage Control field representatives and investigators appointed under KRS 241.090;
  - (h) Division of Insurance Fraud Investigation investigators appointed under KRS 304.47-040; and
  - (i) County detectives appointed in a county containing a consolidated local government with the power of arrest in the county and the right to execute process statewide in accordance with KRS 69.360.
- (2) The requirements of KRS 15.380 to 15.404 for certification may apply to all state peace officers employed pursuant to KRS Chapter 18A and shall, if adopted, be incorporated by the Personnel Cabinet for job specifications.
- (3) Additional training in excess of the standards set forth in KRS 15.380 to 15.404 for all peace officers possessing arrest powers who have specialized law enforcement responsibilities shall be the responsibility of the employing agency.
- (4) The following officers may, upon request of the employing agency, be certified by the council:
  - (a) Deputy coroners;
  - (b) Deputy constables;
  - (c) Deputy jailers;
  - (d) Deputy sheriffs under KRS 70.045 and 70.263(3);
  - (e) Officers appointed under KRS 61.360;
  - (f) Officers appointed under KRS 61.902, except those who are school security officers employed by local boards of education;
  - (g) Private security officers;
  - (h) Employees of a correctional services division created pursuant to KRS 67A.028 and employees of a metropolitan correctional services department created pursuant to KRS 67B.010 to 67B.080; and
  - (i) Investigators employed by the Office of Charitable Gaming in accordance with KRS 238.510.

- (5) The following officers shall be exempted from the certification requirements but may upon their request be certified by the council:
- (a) Sheriffs;
  - (b) Coroners;
  - (c) Constables;
  - (d) Jailers;
  - (e) Kentucky Horse Racing Authority security officers employed under KRS 230.240; and
  - (f) Commissioner of the State Police.
- (6) Federal peace officers cannot be certified under KRS 15.380 to 15.404.

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**History:** Amended 2004 Ky. Acts ch. 172, sec. 2; and Ky. Acts ch. 191, sec. 53, effective July 13, 2004. -- Amended 2002 Ky. Acts ch. 132, sec. 1, effective July 15, 2002. -- Amended 2000 Ky. Acts ch. 374, sec. 18, effective July 14, 2000; ch. 447, sec. 7, effective July 14, 2000; and ch. 480, sec. 3, effective July 14, 2000. -- Created 1998 Ky. Acts ch. 606, sec. 99, effective December 1, 1998.

**Legislative Research Commission Note** (7/13/2004). This section was amended by 2004 Ky. Acts chs. 172 and 191, which do not appear to be in conflict and have been codified together.

**Legislative Research Commission Note** (6/20/2005). 2005 Ky. Acts chs. 11, 85, 95, 97, 98, 99, 123, and 181 instruct the Reviser of Statutes to correct statutory references to agencies and officers whose names have been changed in 2005 legislation confirming the reorganization of the executive branch. Such a correction has been made in this section.